## Message

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**Sent**: 9/6/2016 7:09:03 PM

To: Bahrman, Sarah [Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov]

**Subject**: Re: Upcoming consultations

Thanks Sarah.

Got it.

From: Bahrman, Sarah

Sent: Friday, September 2, 2016 4:26:49 PM

**To:** Videtich, Callie **Cc:** Huff, Blake

Subject: RE: Upcoming consultations

Hi Callie and Blake -

Here's what we expect for consultations right now for the Water Program:

- OST and CRST consultation on Dewey Burdock UIC draft permits expected to occur 1Q or 2Q FY17.
- MHA nation consultation on UIC/DW/WW jurisdictional issues and the tribes comments on a draft UIC permit for the Newalta well.
- MHA nation consultation on TAT refinery (expected to occur before Sept 30, but may come up again). Related to NPDES permit and a number of other programs, including air, RCRA, and NEPA. We aren't planning to do anything separate for consultation, but wanted to recommend this gets captured if you agree.

I need to finalize this with Darcy, but we also plan to offer consultation for every UIC and NPDES permit once we deem that the application is complete. At this point I don't have a detailed forecast for what/when those will occur, or whether the tribes will want to engage in those consultations.

Please let me know if you have any questions on this.

Thanks!

Sarah

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**Cc:** Huff, Blake <Huff.Blake@epa.gov> **Subject:** Upcoming consultations

Greetings.

I meant to bring this up at yesterday's Managers meeting but forgot.

Semi-annually, Regions are asked to provide HQ with our projections for upcoming tribal consultations. Alfreda, as the tribal advisor and consultation lead for the Region, has coordinated this ask in the past. Until a new advisor is selected and in place we are coordinating consultation issues/reporting in TAP.

The EPA Policy on Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribes (Policy) directs each national and regional office to prepare a semi-annual projection of upcoming consultation opportunities. Projections are due on October 1<sup>st</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup> each year. These projections include both ongoing consultations and consultations expected to commence in the next six months. This semi-annual projection provides tribes and other interested parties with an early notice about EPA intentions to consult on specific issues that may be of interest to tribal governments. The projections also provide an opportunity within the Agency to effectively coordinate consultation efforts across EPA.

By 9/23/16 please provide me and copy Blake Huff with your Program's projected tribal consultations (do not include consultations that originate with HQ those will be coordinated by the lead HQ office). We will load the information into the Tribal Consultation Opportunities Tracking System by October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Please provide:
Regional contact
Subject area for consultation
Tribe/Tribes to be consulted
Timeframe for consultation
Other pertinent information

In addition, HQ is looking for success stories where EPA's proposed actions/decisions were changed as a direct result of consultation with the tribe(s). If you have a success story please provide a few lines that we can Thank you in advance for providing this data in a timely manner. This information is used in the Administrator's speeches and is provided to OMB as part of an annual consultation progress report.

Thanks for your assistance.

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